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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-mentioned application, please amend the specification as follows:

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please insert the following prior to the Background of the Invention section:

### -- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional application Serial No. 60/163,193, filed November 5, 1999.--

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Page 1, prior to the Background of the Invention Section, please amend the specification by deleting the section entitled "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION" and replace with the following:

-- This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional application Serial No. 60/163,913, filed November 5, 1999.--

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."